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LETTERS**Spies in the diplomatic mission**

The article regarding spies is an important contribution to public awareness of Soviet espionage ["Congress want to 'even odds' in East-West spy game," Oct. 24]. I would add that there are more than 200 Soviets working in the US diplomatic mission in Moscow, and according to the State Department, most, if not all, report to the KGB.

Hiring Soviet citizens to work in American diplomatic missions is an invitation to espionage. To improve security, I have introduced legislation to require that Soviets be replaced by Americans at the earliest opportunity. The legislation would also authorize funds to increase security at American diplomatic missions in Eastern Europe.

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